

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Jacob Richter et al. **Confirmation No.:** 1194  
**Serial No.:** 09/864,389 **Group Art Unit:** 3773  
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**Title:** LONGITUDINALLY FLEXIBLE STENT

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2008 for the above-referenced application, applicant hereby submits this response. This Response is being filed on or before February 2, 2009; a petition and fee for a one month extension of time is enclosed. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.